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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am a customer of a small but wonderful and local internet services provider. My provider Sonic.net has been giving me faster service for less money than the large telecom companies for many years, and now that they are providing gigabit fiber (and a free telephone line) for the same price, I am ever more satisfied. We need to keep the telecom industry regulated enough so that small providers can stay in the game and provide the competition our entire economic system relies upon. If the largest providers are left to determine the prices of sharing their services, they will have monopoly power. All consumers will be hurt, and that will also damage our economy by leaving people with poor and expensive internet choices. Please keep competition alive and don't let the big telcos have their way. Keep these guys regulated and assure local competitors access to their networks!

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